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87 4M/c Soviet AGs, through either nationalization into publicly-owned enterprises or
dismantling.

2. Examples cited are the Erma* and Kircheis Works in Aue, Saxony, and the
Fleissmann and Wolf firm in Zwickau. The latter, which produces miners' lamps,
was one of the original Soviet AGs. Since April 1948, all plant draftsmen
have been copying or otherwise reproducing all the company drawings, making
two copies. Each copy is carefully compared with the original by a Soviet-
supervised office staff. Firm officials had not been informed in early June
what was to happen to the establishment.
*Sic, Erma (Erfurter Maschinenfabrik)?

Comment: Some firms listed in reports [redacted] as in
process of dismantling during May and June 1948 are known to form parts of
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